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Sir:

Enclosed herewith are the necessary papers for filing the following application for Letters Patent:

Applicant : MATTHIAS BISCHOFF

Title : ACCESS NODE FOR OPTICAL NETWORKS WITH VARIABLE-ACCESS WAVELENGTHS, USER DEVICE FOR CONNECTION TO SUCH AN ACCESS NODE, METHOD FOR FEEDING A NUMBER OF SIGNALS FROM A NUMBER OF USERS INTO AN OPTICAL NETWORK AND USING AN ACCESS NODE AND AT LEAST ONE USER DEVICE FOR CARRYING OUT SUCH A METHOD

1 sheet of formal drawings in triplicate.

A check in the amount of \$710.00 covering the filing fee.

Claim for Priority. Certified copy of the corresponding foreign patent application No. 100 04 290.2, filed February 1, 2000.

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